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Closing The Great Final Closing Out Sale Closing

This is as we promised, closing with the end of the year. If the prices don't please we are making them to suit all. Everything up for sale this week, Groceries Included

Ladies Skirts
A few left. Reg. \$5.75
AT HALF PRICE
Sale \$2.90

Ladies Waists
Reg. \$6.50
Sale \$3.00

Ladies Shirt Waists
Regular \$2.00
Sale 75c

Ribbon Stock
For the Last Week
At Half Price

Ladies Comonas
Regular \$1.25
Sale 75c

Ladies Sweater Coats
In Red, Grey and White
REGULAR \$3.50
Sale \$2.00

Ladies Underskirts
REGULAR \$1.10
Sale 65c

Ladies and Misses
House Dresses
TO BE CLEARED OUT AT
Half Price

Misses Shoes
ALL LINES
MARKED RIGHT DOWN
Cost Don't Stop Us

Ladies Boots and Shoes
\$5 Lines to be Cleared at
\$3.00

Our Grocery Stock
On sale for the last week
at cost. See and lay in your
winter supply

Sugar Special
\$1.60
PER 20 POUND SACK

Canned Goods
Tomatoes 2 for 25c
Corn 2 for 25c
Peas 2 for 25c
Beans 2 for 25c

Canned Fruits
Strawberries 2 lb. Per tin 20c
Raspberries 2 lb. Per tin 20c
Pears 2 lb. tins 3 for 50c
Peaches 2 lb. tins 3 for 50c

Cereals, Breakfast Foods
Corn Flakes 3 for 25c
Standard Omeal Per 10 lb. sack 40c
Buckwheat Flour 50c
Farina 6 lb. sacks, 29c
Rolled Oats 8 lb. Sacks 39c

Mens Overcoats
FUR
Coon Skins Reg. \$150, Sale \$80
Bear Skins Reg. \$27, Sale \$18
Dog Skins Reg. \$25, Sale \$14

Mens Cloth Overcoats
REGULAR \$20.00
Sale \$12.50

MENS SUITS
REGULAR \$20.00
Sale \$12.50

Macinaw Coats
Reg. \$7 Sale \$4.25
Reg. \$3.80 Sale \$2.65

Mens Boots and Shoes
We are continuing the last
weeks prices up till closing

WINTER CAPS
REG. \$1.25 to \$1.95
Sale 95c

GLOVES AND MITTS
REGULAR \$1.50
To Clear 95c

Mens Sox
Heavy Wool Regular 35c
4 Pairs \$1

SHIRTS
NEGLEGEE REG. \$1.75
Sale \$1.00

Moccasins
Reg. \$2 Sale \$1.45
Reg. \$1.90 Sale \$1.25

THE MIRROR CASH STORE

The following old-timer is again going the rounds of the press. It touches the spot now as well as it did twenty years ago—"Refused Notice."—Every editor has received them. The postmaster sends them to the editor. For instance, there is a man by the name of John Blank, who refused to take his paper out of the post-office. He did not want it any longer, and we wondered what was the matter. On investigation of

our subscription book we found that John was short \$5.75. He stopped the paper as a matter of economy to us. One evening we went to church, and John's melodious voice rang out loud and clear in that soul stirring song, "Jesus Paid It All." We might have been mistaken, but his earnestness impressed us. The next day we sent him a receipt in full, begging his pardon for not knowing he had made arrangements for his liabilities in that matter.

The Mirror Journal Wishes its Readers a
**Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year**

A Dramatic Entertainment

A Dramatic Entertainment and Dance will be held in Kade's Hall, Mirror, on Jan. 8th, 1915, at 8:30 p. m. sharp. The proceeds of the concert and dance will be given to the Bel-

gium Relief Fund. The concert is given by local talent and should be well supported, as it is for a very good cause. The following is the program.

least said of misfortune or bad times and bad conditions the better it will be in the end. Let us lift our voices and with one accord exult over good luck during the few months. Let us speak the truth of our resources, our business and our general stability. Ours is a good, solid, progressive, conservative city with brilliant prospects of being some day a metropolis and we can do much for it by speaking of its continual, steady advancement. Let us do it. Be sure you don't forget to read the Mirror Cash Store ad in this issue.

FIRE!

Big Contest Big Contest

The Mirror Hardware Co.'s Contest
Commencing from to-day and ending Aug.
19th, 1915.

We give with every Dollar Cash Purchase one coupon, and the one having the most Coupons will receive:

First Highest: One Kitchen Range
Second Highest: One 22 High Power Rifle
Third Highest: One Handsome Gasoline Lamp
Fourth Highest: One Splendid Carving Set

We want your aid and these prizes will be given absolutely free.

This contest is for the purpose of introducing ourselves to those who are not our regular customers and to show our appreciation of those who have had the pleasure of serving.

We Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

The Mirror Hardware Co.
Corner Robert and Gilman - Mirror, Alberta

PROGRAM			
Part I			
1	Pianoforte Solo.....	Miss Main	
2	Song.....	Mr. Clement-Smith	
3	Dance (Irish Jig).....	Miss Jean Parly	
4	Song.....	Mr. Clement-Smith	
	Dialogue (Mrs. or Miss)		
	Miss Mainie Pearson.....	Mrs. W. Parly	
	Captain Trehume.....	Mr. V. G. Merryatt	
Part II			
1	Pianoforte Solo.....	Miss Main	
2	Song.....	Mr. Clement-Smith	
3	Dance.....	Miss Jean Parly	
A Farce in Two Acts			
NAVAL ENGAGEMENTS			
Characters			
Admiral Kingston.....	Mr. Guy Pym		
Lieut. Kingston, R. N.....	Mr. V. G. Merryatt		
Short.....	Mr. Carmichael		
Dennis.....	Mr. Williamson		
Mrs. Pontifex.....	Miss Main		
Miss Mortimer.....	Mrs. Arbuthnot		

The streets are now thronged with busy buyers and the merchants are raising their heads in ecstasy. The activity on the thoroughfares beams with metropolitan life. What is the use of harping about hard times? Our town has stood

well the test of monetary stringency, our people are living well, our city is progressing, we have all the advantages and resources that could be reasonably wished for; then, why should our people continue to complain of hard times? The

We wish you all a
**Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year**

Panrucker & Holland

Mirror and Alix

INCIDENTS THAT BROUGHT ON HISTORIC CONFLICTS

The Cause of the Present Great World Struggle Can be Easily Traced, But All Wars Have Not Had Such an

Apparent Origin—Notable Cases in History.

The real cause of the present war was undoubtedly the ambition of the German nation to arise from its ill trained and prepared condition.

Directly the cause was the outrageous demand made upon Servia by Austria to permit Servians to take part in the conspiracy in the murder of Archduke Ferdinand to be tried in their own land by Austrian officers. The involving of Russia had been decided upon by the participation of Germany, who was certain to attack France as a precautionary measure, which would call in Great Britain to the fray by the violation of the forcible German entry of Belgium.

But all wars have not had causes so easily traced at the time, nor so obvious in their intentions. A man may start a bit of a row in his own home by appearing unannounced with a clean shave after having worn a luxuriant hirsute adornment for years, but ordinarily the trouble does not go beyond his own door. Louis VI. of France was less fortunate. A visit to the Royal barber plunged two nations, France and England, into intermittent warfare which lasted 300 years.

pleash of town persuaded the king to remove his beard in common with the monks. The king, however, had no friction with the queen that at last Louis divorced her, to be replaced by a more beautiful daughter of Henry II. of England. From this marriage came the bloodshed may be said to have followed.

In an iron cage in the tower of the Bastille, a French prisoner of war, a bucket, which 900 years ago was the cause of a terrible war may be seen to this day.

Melancholic mood stole the soul from a public well in Bologna, and the future of the world was in the hands of the pope. The pope and his rivals were and were jealous of each other and rights between soldiers of fortune and the pope.

There was a time when the world had a fire of war which devastated a large part of Europe and led to the death of Sardinia, son of the German emperor.

troop teapot started a war in China 250 years ago, which cost half a million lives. The teapot was the cherished possession of a dignitary of the main court in Peking. When travelling through a lawless province in the northwest of China some of his retinue, who had fallen behind the main body, were seized by a band of robbers, and among the spoils the teapot was found and contemptuously thrown on the ground and broken. The mandarin reported this to the emperor, and the soldiers were sent out, and a long and terrible war ensued.

Lord Palmerston once said that only the Chinese know the exact nature of the troubles in Schleswig-Holstein, which led to two great

wars. Two of them had died before the trinity, and completely forgotten what it was all about. Prince Bismarck, then Prussia's Foreign Minister, of a telegram to the Kaiser, asking that each other's throne in 1870. The French ambassador in Berlin, Count Drouin de L'Hamp, I, then was, to ask him not to approve the ambition of Prince Leopold of Belgium to become King of the Congo. The king refused to give a definite answer, but Prince Anthony of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, who was the candidate for the throne of Spain, was submitted by telegram to Count Drouin de L'Hamp, who was to publish it. Bismarck altered the text of the telegram, so that it was it to the newspapers and through them to France, and the international crisis was all over. In 1871, after 45 years later Bismarck confessed the

forever. The war of the Spanish succession in which the great Duke of Marlborough played a brilliant part, was said to be the outcome of a glass of water in a bath at the Tuileries in Paris. One of the court ladies had expressed a wish for a drink of water in the hearing of the French and Spanish ambassadors, who hastened to get for her a tumbler, turning each with a tumbler, they found the fair bird had flown and was dancing with a French statesman. The English ambassador, indignantly, it is presumed, brushed against the Spaniard and upset the glass he was carrying. This ridiculous episode decided the diplomatic policies of the nations and turned the balance in favor of war.

The Seven Years War was largely due to the vanity of Frederick the Great in wanting to see his name engraved on the map of Europe. The Sepoys were said to have bared their cartridges served out to them by the British soldiers, and animals, unclean alike to Hindu and Moslems, and the Indian Mutiny was precipitated. The Turko-Russian war was said to have started when a Russian officer with which a Herzegovian blacksmith killed a tax collector who had insulted his master. The stealing of a Castile lady's lace petticoat by a noble led to many years of war between the Spaniards and the Moors. The emptying of a bucket of a woman's hair into the sea off Milanese gave rise to an inter-provincial war between the Venetians and the Milanese. Horrifying a tobacco pipe and falling

A clever man turns great troubles into little ones, and little ones into none at all.—Chinese Proverb.

DOGS IN ALASKA WAR GROWS MORE HUMANE

Great Loads Over Snow That Improvement In Arms and Hospital

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Two and one-quarter inches and twelve feet long give a large caliber bullet, made of unsharpened lead, a muzzle velocity of 1,000 feet per second. The muzzle velocity in the barrel. The muzzle velocity was less than half that of the missiles fired by the Japanese. The sabre charges were more common. These resulted in hideous wounds. The difficulty was to find the bullets which are firing in Europe today are of less caliber than the Japanese. The bullets are sacketed with nickel, lead or steel and are not as effective as the soft, mauling bullet of the old day resulted in the shattering of the bone and the tearing and cutting of tissues. Infection was

COMMODITIES AFFECTED

Have to be Dispensed With
Home Manufactures Sub-
stituted

war will touch almost every department of commercial life. Every one reveals some new commodity of which we had forgotten, but which were once considered vital spots have walked unsupported to the field hospitals.

THE STUDY OF WORDS

It's a Helpful Scheme to Use Your Dictionary Every Day

Writing an article for *Reader's Digest* Books, the author's Home Companion, Laura Spencer Porter gives the following advice to help you take the advantage to be gained from the study of words:

"The study of words—it may sound like a very prosaic and unexciting thing to do. It is not; very far from it.

"And this brings me to suggest that you study carefully from a good dictionary. I have a dictionary of my own from which we might all of us get our share of new words. I have a dictionary of synonyms, for instance, and learn from it each day five new words. I have a dictionary of idioms and weighier carefully the meanings of

"Notice the degrees of force in the following: To dislike, to hate, to loathe, to detest, to despise, to abhor, to strick is a little stronger, higher, mightier, like an ascending crescendo scale. So, to instruct, to educate, to enlighten are quite different meanings, with a great nuance of meaning. So, rebuke, reprimand, condemn, rebuff, one can see how subtle but of how different shades of meaning. So, too, misfortune, calamity, disaster; so weak, feeble, frailty, weakness, difference between fair and renewed or feminine and womanly and womanish."

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Canned fruits have found a market among the people in the United States last year paid \$4,000,000 for them.

California and Florida oranges find their markets in Europe and Japan. The total sale last year amounted to \$3,825,000, as against \$9,000,000 in 1913. The United States exports \$1,400,000 from this country through \$1,400,000. Europeans paid \$717,000 for berries last year. The United States exports for various kinds of unclassified fruits.

War Secretary Speer Joins With Grim as war news is it. It is not yet out its lighter side of amusing incidents, and the war is still on.

Lord Kitchener's first question

Whistler as a writer
 at of the stories of Whistler
 the of the stories of Whistler
 that shows him in the light
 a graceful courtier.
 happened that the then Prince of
 paid a visit to an exhibition of
 of Whistler's pictures, and he
 of which Whistler, was the presi-
 Whistler received the prince re-
 and, as they entered the gal-
 the royal highness asked:
 "What is the name of your
 Strathcona's Romantic Marriage

Mr. Whistler? "I replied that with a court case pending today."

Biggest Talker in the House
Lord George, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, was the biggest talker in the British Parliament.

The chancellor spoke 170 columns of words in his speech. He comes sixth down the list with 150 columns of words. The most questions were Mr. Haild, of Delchew, who put 85 questions. The second is easily beaten by Mr. Will. He asked 100 questions.

Of speaking, he took 160 to 180 words in his speech. He asked 100 questions to the government.

He asked about 600 words a minute. He asked 100 questions. He is 140 words a minute.

The marriage of Lord Strathorn was a romance. He met the lady when he was twenty years old on the coast of Labrador. She was a widow with two children. There was no priest or church within 100 miles. They were married by contract without ceremony. It was his reason that when the high court of law came to the marriage was held to be necessary. It was the only marriage of the Church of England. "O Lord Strathorn was, however, patently a married man of parliament."

Cornering Chinese Eggs
England and Russia, according to the London Standard, are cornering Chinese eggs. has placed orders for 100,000 eggs. The Chinese are on the market.

**OPPORTUNE TIME FOR
BUSINESS EXPANSION**

THE WEST WILL BENEFIT FROM PRESENT CONDITIONS

High Prices For Grain Will Help the Farmers, and Every Line of Activity Will be Stimulated—Slogan of the West Should be to Stand Loyalty

Western Canada couples a most favorable position at the present time. It was unanimously regretted as opening a new path in the development of the continent, which will diminish human suffering. The child, aged fourteen years, had been suffering from a severe (atrophy of the thyroid gland) disease to scarlet fever, and even more severe complications, such as severe cretinism.

Mr. Voronoff, in the presence of the committee, granted to the neck the right lobe of the thyroid gland.

The child has since continued growing rapidly in body and mind, and is now a healthy child, and the "new turbulent and shameful"

Now is the favorable time for the realization of business opportunities, and now more than ever before is the time for the people of the western states to stand up and be counted. We stand to stand locally together. By supporting our local merchants we are supporting the welfare of our community and keeping the money in our own town and district. We should be satisfied to have our goods manufactured in our own town or province in preference to competing with the goods of other countries.

This is the first time that great numbers of people have been made aware of the fact that the human being has been accomplished with success.

Many of the prehistoric arts were made by Dr. Alexis Carrel, the Rockefeller Institute, of New York.

It is believed that the opportunity to become common, and that the human being will be able to lead a purely vegetative existence, may be transformed into useful arts of society.

Homes For Workers

The outrage of our Amer-
ican people over the
wages paid to the
after we lure them to Canada. Our
forces seek the country for
the most part, and we
to find shelter wherever they can
business organizations offer be-
cause they are not
which bring in the largest num-
business organizations offer be-
cause they are not
nances. (Another factory) 100
families in big head-
quarters.

One of the saddest
and most pathetic
working man, with her rosy
children, used to country air
and the beautiful
surroundings, cleanliness, quiet

It is not a time to talk of hardships and money stringency, but rather to assume a hopeful attitude, being firm in the conviction that ours is a country rich in natural resources and with the ability to meet the determination and industry overcome temporary difficulties, and seize the opportunities for business expansion that are thrust upon us by reason of the present world-wide disturbances.

About Bananas
Philadelphia's yearly imports of bananas reach 6,000,000 bunches a year, with a value of considerably over \$4,000,000. So important is the trade that special steamers are run from the

Caribbean to Philadelphia and other North Atlantic ports. The great bulk of the fruit is shipped to the West Indies and virtually control the output of independent growers. The fruit season here runs from May 1 to about October 1, six fruit steamers arrive in Philadelphia from the Caribbean, and these usually belong to the United Fruit Company, two to the Atlantic Fruit Company, and one to the Fruit Importing Company. Each ship has a capacity for about 30,000 bunches.

carefully packed in straw in the holds of the ships. It slowly ripens during the voyage to the city. Much of the cargoes are sold in advance of the ship's arrival. When the vessel docks long lines of teams are found waiting at the wharves, ready to load up and make way for the newcomers.

Philadelphia, New York and Boston are the largest markets for the cargo. New Orleans, the great banana port on the coast, supplies all the rest of the country, from New England and the north to the Gulf of Mexico and south. The fruit that is not sold in the open market is packed in refrigerated cars and loaded by freight to the point of destination.

Bunches of bananas are graded according to "hands." The hands are the individual fingers of the bunch. The central stalk. There are about 15 hands in a bunch. The smaller bunches are designated as "stems," or "six-hands" bunches, "sevens," "eights," "nines," "tens," and "eleven-hands" bunches from nine hands up.

There are two seasons for the fruit. The summer one. Winter bananas come from Jamaica, Mexico and Colombia.

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son by Mr. Freeman of the Legion of Frontiersmen, whose score was 422. He was followed by the Hon. Mr. C. H. B. S. de Silva, then resident of Shanghai, entered the contest. She made a score of 212, shooting at the Remington target. Mr. de Silva did Mr. Freeman. Standard American sporting targets were used, with a time limit of 10 minutes. The time limit was allowed and the time limit being on hour. The highest possible score was 440. Mr. de Silva did his nearest competitor, Lieut. Com. L. Preston Thomas of H.M.S. "Heron" of the Royal Navy, who was one of the best revolver shots in the British navy.

THE VALUE OF OUR PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

FIRST ROADS WERE MADE FOR
MILITARY PURPOSES

The Romans Were the Pioneers in Road Building, and Abundant Proof of Their Enduring Quality is Afforded in Roads Now Extant.

Because they got over the difficulties of levels most easily that way and on account of the general habit of using the waterways as by-ways, the first roads usually followed along the banks of rivers.

been the rule in all the ages. But although that might answer well, when the trapper or hunter or chief use of the roads, it was different when armies had to be moved, and moved expeditiously. The short roads, wide and hard, became necessary.

Because Rome was essentially a military nation, the Romans were great road builders, as had been the disciplined Persians and Assyrians

The Roman roads were the first real highways, and abundant proof of their enduring quality is afforded by the extensive remains that have been found in different parts of the country. The Roman engineer chose high ground wherever he could, and he built his road high above the surface of the land through which he was marking it. His first object was to make a path between two points, so that troops could march from one to the other as quickly and as easily as possible.

The Roman road-makers, therefore, set out with the definite idea of making a road from one camp or military station to another.

The fact that the roads which the Roman engineers drove through woodlands and across hills and valleys centuries have passed, so frequently found to be in a good state of preservation, is due to the compactness and toughness of the workmanship and the excellence of the materials which were used.

There were three main methods of road-making were different from those in vogue today, but were equally effective.

First two parallel ditches were cut, marking the edges of the proposed roadway. On the soil between the ditches was laid a layer of large stones about 5 inches deep; next a layer of concrete or stones mixed with mortar, about 12 inches deep; then another 10 inches or so of nucleus—fine pounded material mixed with mortar, about 12 inches deep, which was made of paving stones, four or five bricks thick, and cement or

Of course, the methods of the Roman road makers varied somewhat. In some areas, the roads were, they used the material that was ready to hand. Thus, in the Roman road show it to have been made of alternate layers of chalk and gravel, with the gravel being used when marshy ground had to be covered. In other areas, the road was consisting of six strata or layers, based on marsh mud, with pleural layers of gravel and chalk laid above them.

The advent of the stone carriage and the use of quicker methods of improving the roads, as well as the fact that the Romans passed authorizing the first toll gates in the world, as it is now, was applied to the Great North Road and elsewhere the roads were almost

The rebellion of 1745 gave a great impulse to the making of British roads for military as well as civil purposes. The military value of good roads once realized, steady progress was made in opening up communication between the different towns on both sides of the border.

The extension of the turnpike system, however, met with violent opposition from the populace, who regarded the toll-bill as a new tax. The farmers to freedom of movement. During the 'fifties of the eighteenth century bodies of armed men assembled to destroy the turnpikes and burn down the toll-houses. Troops had to be despatched to quell the disorders.

It is a remarkable fact that some of the first and most successful of British road makers was a blind man.—John Metcalf, of Knaresborough, who was responsible for the construction of over 150 miles of roads in the counties of Yorkshire, Cheshire and Derbyshire.

Metcalf was a pioneer in the making of roads, a branch of civil engineering which was brought to the greatest degree of perfection it has ever attained by Thomas Telford, the famous engineer. The system of surfacing introduced by Macadam early in the 19th century rendered possible the making of roads on lines that have ever since been found serviceable and enduring.

With the coming of motor traction, however, new conditions have arisen everywhere, and new problems have

been presented which are apparently the only feasible solution. First, maintenance has created a dust nuisance which tar-spraying is intended to mitigate. The speed of the motor car, too, renders it probable that in the near future it will be found necessary to provide special bike lanes for motorbikes. Then in industrial centers the coming of the motor wagon has rendered necessary the reconstruction of the road crusts to suit this heavier and faster traffic. Altogether our roads are rapidly coming into their own again, and the automobile has taken on an adaptation to changing conditions which has become one of national importance.

The sewers of Paris which have suffered severely from the recent storms are the most wonderful in the world and constitute one of the sights of the city. Visitors are allowed to inspect them on certain days of each week and it is certainly an experience to make a "personally-conducted tour" of the two main sewers. The journey is made on electric cars and launches which draw up occasionally at brightly illuminated stations.

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Piano Contest

The Mirror Journal will give the following number of Votes on the Piano Contest at Duitman & Johnson store, as follows:—

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3,000 " for a Renewal Subscription
5 " for ever cent on Job Printing
5 " for every cent on Advertising

Cut out this Coupon, and present it at Duitman & Johnson's store and they will exchange it for 100 Votes on the Piano Contest.

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MIRROR, ALTA., DEC. 25, 1914

Warning

Matrimony is always a subject of great interest and importance for the single. Several young men of our town seem to be all worked up on this matter. They are making good eyes at girls, even in church; and the pomades they use on their hair would be enough to grease our band wagon. They are extremely anxious, so we are told, to get married for better or for worse. That's one point; it will be the one or the other and all silly goo-gooing and the brainless plastering on the hair cannot change it.

We do not advocate a continuous honeymoon. That is all tom foolery; and the sooner our young folks see that either before or after the wedding the better it will be for their future domestic welfare. The wedded union should be among other advantages for the providing of a pleasant home, where the husband loves to spend his leisure hours and the wife finds pleasure to work. In order to provide such a haven of contentment more is needed than sentimental cares and a rich father-in-law. What is needed is common sense in both parties, and a lot of that.

But some young men are fools and imagine that the foolishness of calf-love makes a paradise within any four walls. They become bewitched with some giddy butterfly society girl and marry her. Then expect her to go home, wash the powder and rouge from her face, and fry a beefsteak, mend his sox and sew on his buttons. Mostly living representations of fashion plates don't like household duties and they prefer reading a love story. Bewise!

SPECIAL POINTERS

Two Englishmen were found at a social function standing one on each side of a fireplace, staring into space. Each wore a monocle and vacant expression in addition to the conventional dress suit. "Beastly bore, Old Chap!" observed one. "Beastly!" repeated the other. "I say, Old Chap! Why don't you go home and get away from it?" inquired the first speaker. "I can't do it, Old Chap," replied the other. "I'm home now."

"What is a bachelor, pa?" "A bachelor, my son, is a man who looks before he leaps—and doesn't leap."

Teacher—Why does a dog hang his tongue out of his mouth?

Bright-looking Boy—To balance his tail, sir.

LOCAL NEWS

D. McDonald is spending the Xmas holidays in Edmonton.

A brother of Mrs. John Sorum died yesterday in Calgary.

C. Sweet is spending a few days at his home in Edmonton.

Mrs. W. Lowery is spending Xmas with her parents in Calgary.

You can save dollars by reading the ad at the top of the front page.

F. Casey who has been ill for a few days has returned to his work again.

Jas. McLaren left Tuesday for Lethbridge to spend Xmas with friends.

H. J. Raymer left on Tuesday to spend the Christmas holidays in Winnipeg, Man.

Hugh Stevenson, was a visitor in Stettler last week returning home on Monday.

The public School closed on Thursday for the Christmas holidays and will open again on Jan. 4th, 1915.

Mr. Lloyd Humphrey of Calgary has come up to spend his Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allee.

R. R. Height will hold a prayer meeting on Christmas Day at A. P. Sargent's house on the corner of Francis Avenue.

A woman whose husband is poor has at least the satisfaction on knowing he is not attractive to other women, but all hers.

Special votes (5000 votes on every 25c) will be given on the same articles next week as this week at Duitman & Johnson's store.

All votes must be brought in to be recorded by next Wednesday as the color changes, and votes not turned in on or before Dec. 30th, 1914 will not count.

Messrs. W. Jacek and Earl Estell left Tuesday for Tuxedo, a station on the C. N. R. north of Edmonton with the idea of starting up a lumber camp. They took away with them two carloads of machinery and sundry outfit.

If you look on the revenue stamp stuck to the package of tobacco you are using you will find you are not getting so much for your money as before the war. But comfort yourself with the thought that this is just one more sacrifice you are making in patriotism's cause.

Six youngsters over at Leduc were brought before a Justice because of misbehaviour and damage done to property on Halloween and were assessed five dollars each. Others are likely to receive a similar dose. A few Mirror youths might benefit by something of the sort.

The Mirror Literary Club finished their first series of what drives on Wednesday last. Another series will be put on about the first of the New Year. The following are the lucky winners:—Mrs. Jas. Wright, 1st Mrs. R. L. Pretty, 2nd; Mrs. E. Hoagie, 3rd; Carl McCormick, 1st; Jas. Wright, 2nd; R. L. Pretty, 3rd.

Two little children of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gill, of Vegreville, were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home. The mother had been rendering aid and went to a neighbor's for some pills. While she was absent the lard boiled over, caught fire and set fire to the building. The eldest was a boy of a year and nine months and his injuries caused immediate death. The younger, a girl of only nine months, lived about a day.

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WEDDINGS

CAREY—WILSON

A very pretty wedding took place yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wilson, 11th street, when their eldest daughter, Helen Letitia, became the bride of Alfred Dolly Carey, who is well known in G. T. P. railway circles here. The Rev. W. Everard Edmonds officiated only the immediate relatives of the bride being present. Amid the shower of confetti Mr. and Mrs. Carey took the morning train for Mirror where they will in future reside.—Edmonton Bulletin.

IRWIN—WILSON.

On the morning of the 23rd inst. the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson was the scene of a quiet but very pretty wedding when Mrs. Stephenson's sister, Miss Alice Wilson, of Mirror was united in marriage to Mr. Ernest Griffin Irwin also of Mirror. The ceremony was performed at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. H. L. Douglas. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law Mr. John Stephenson. The bride was attended by Miss Margaret Teresa

South Buffalo Lake School Report

Grade VIII—Olivia Sorum, 96; Annie Lofstrand, 92; Esther Sorum, 91.
Grade VII—Iva Kerr, 88; Elsie Sorum, 83; Robert Fell, 73.
Grade V—Jane Fell, 80; Mary Lofstrand, 80; Pearl Graham, 85; Martha Marshall, 78.
Grade III—Myron Sorum, 73; Floyd Sells, Mary Fell.
Grade I—James Marshall, Roosevelt Marshall, Raymond Marshall. Present every day 10.
Alfred T. Miller, Teacher.

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